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1. BIB MEMBER JOHN MURPHY HAS REQUESTED ALL CONCERNED BE INFORMED AS FOLLOWS RE CONTENT LATE JULY DISCUSSIONS IN HAMBURG WITH IRT CHIEF EDEN:

2. BIB GROUP EMPHASIZED AT OUTSET THEY REPRESENTED BIB ONLY AND THAT THEIR SPECIAL CONCERN AT ITU CONFERENCE WAS TO OBTAIN IF POSSIBLE LW FREQUENCY FOR RFE/RL WHILE RETAINING RFE MW FREQUENCY.

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3. BIB GROUP AT NO TIME RAISED QUESTION OF RIAS

FREQUENCIES. HOWEVER, DURING SUBSEQUENT MEETING WITH BARTLETT EDEN PRODUCED MAP SHOWING POTENTIALLY SERIOUS EFFECT ON RIAS PRIMARY MW FREQUENCY OF GDR PROPOSALS AS SUBMITTED TO IFRB. ACCORDING BARTLETT, HE BRIEFLY EXPRESSED SHARED CONCERN AT MANNER AND EXTENT TO WHICH OTHER NATIONS ARE MOVING, AS EXEMPLIFIED BY RIAS CASE, TO DISADVANTAGE OVERALL U.S. AND WEST EUROPEAN BROADCASTING INTERESTS. HOWEVER, BARTLETT ADDED, BIB ITSELF HAD NO CHARTER TO ADDRESS RIAS PROBLEM; RATHER THIS WAS

MATTER FOR U.S. TEAM CONSIDERATION.

4. MURPHY THEREFORE STRESSES NO BASIS WHATEVER EXISTS FOR IMPRESSION REPORTEDLY HELD BY RIAS GERMAN DIRECTOR. INGERSOLL

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